

UTAH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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AT: SOUTH TOWNE EXPO CENTER

ROOM 200 A and B

SANDY, UTAH

1 CITIZEN: My name is NAME.

2 Address is XXXX Louise Meadow Drive.

3 And my comment is that most of my
4 neighbors -- well, first, most of the neighbors in
5 Parkway Palisades and The Ridge there prefer not to
6 have 114th South go through our neighborhood, but if
7 the -- if it happens to come through, we would prefer
8 that Janalynn be blocked off at the intersection of
9 114th South and Janalynn and have the only
10 intersection in the neighborhood be at Riverfront
11 Parkway.

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1 CITIZEN: My name is NAME,

2 XXXX Jordan River Drive.

3 My suggestion is to not put the -- the
4 interchange through 114th South because most of that
5 area has been pretty much developed. That's critical
6 riparian and riverbottoms environment is sacred to the
7 community. And UDOT, the greatest thing that they
8 could do, if they wanted to do a good service for the
9 State right now, is to hold a news conference and say,
10 you know what, we listened to the citizens and
11 realized that there are crucial areas in communities,
12 and riverbottoms is one of them, so we're going to fix
13 the problems with Bangerter Highway, and that is
14 elevate the interchanges so that you don't have stop
15 signs, and build the west-side freeway and encourage
16 developers to put their development around the
17 Bangerter corridor where there's no sensitive
18 environmental areas.

19 Riverbottoms should be improved at all
20 costs. They're sacred. They -- they heal people.
21 They -- as the area develops and the area becomes more
22 congested, if people have areas that they can go down
23 to and become one with nature, it heals them, it has a
24 positive effect on crime. If people have nature, if
25 they can go and observe and witness and realize

1 there's a higher power and pay reverence to nature,
2 instead of making tic-tac-toes everywhere as Utah
3 grows -- that's what Utah does. It's a bad practice
4 to just lay down criss-crossing tic-tac roads
5 everywhere.

6 They should do -- they should look at more
7 alternatives than the ones that they have presented us
8 here tonight, because if you don't have any areas in
9 your community where you can go to, what kind of
10 quality of life do you have anyway? So what if you
11 can shave five minutes off your driving time? So
12 what? The last thing we need is another Sam's Club,
13 another Wal-Mart. What we need is areas to go in,
14 have peace and tranquility.

15 I'm begging Utah on behalf of many residents
16 throughout the state as one who's been involved with
17 open space issues throughout the years. And people
18 who think outside of the box that understand the
19 importance of nature and the positive benefits that it
20 has on society, that people will come forward and
21 offer their assistance to preserve these precious
22 riverbottoms areas.

23 And we'd ask UDOT to elevate the
24 interchanges on Bangerter, fix the problems with
25 Bangerter so it's not the most dangerous highway,

1 people can have -- we can -- they can traverse
2 Bangerter, becomes like a freeway instead of a highway
3 with stop signs and build out the west corridor.
4 There's nothing out there. It's all weeds and farm
5 ground. There's no cattails, there's no cottonwood
6 trees, there's no foxes, there's no deer, there's no
7 migratory birds out there. If it's all on the river,
8 then that all disappears, if an interchange goes to
9 114th South.

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1 CITIZEN: My name is NAME. I
2 live at XXXX South Country Crossing Road, South
3 Jordan, Utah, 84095.

4 I am very much in favor of Alternative 4 and
5 hope that that goes through. And I've seen plans for
6 a shopping center put in at 114th -- 118th South just
7 east of Bangerter, and I'm very much for that, too.

8 But the plans I've seen show a roundabout at
9 about 3800 West and 114th South, and I want -- I want
10 to just express my opposition to that roundabout. I
11 think all of this work to increase the flow of traffic
12 through 114th would be kind of counterproductive to
13 put a roundabout in the middle of the street there.

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1 CITIZEN: NAME. Address is XXXX

2 Dunning Court, Draper, Utah, 84020.

3 Our comment is is we'd like to preserve the
4 beauty and the quality of life in Draper, and we are
5 against any widening of 114th South. We feel like it
6 would have a negative impact on the neighborhood and
7 the quality of life, and especially on the protected
8 riverbottom areas of the Jordan River.

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1 CITIZEN: NAME. And my
2 address is XXXX West Louise Meadow Drive.

3 I have a couple of concerns. Our home sits
4 up above Louise Meadow Drive, and the last time that
5 we were in talking to the -- I guess the -- you know,
6 the Department of Transportation people and the
7 others, they indicated that there would be a wall put
8 along our property similar to what they show here in
9 the picture and that it would be about 18 or 20 feet
10 above our back yard. And our current home sits about
11 30 feet -- it sits 30 feet from the back property line
12 of our property, and so we're going to be out looking
13 out the back windows and out the back yard at probably
14 about a 20-foot sound -- not just the sound wall, the
15 whole wall holding up the road and everything, just a
16 huge wall right out the back yard.

17 My concern is is I feel like this will
18 adversely impact the value of our property and that
19 there needs to be some consideration taken with
20 regards to that impact.

21 And secondly, I have a concern about the
22 weight of the road which is going to be right behind
23 our house and whether that will affect the foundation
24 of our home and cause any settling or any problems to
25 the foundation itself.

1 also reach me at XXX-XXXX. That's my wife NAME
2 cell phone. And our e-mail -- my e-mail address is
3 EMAIL ADDRESS. So if you would let me know
4 what you think about those, I would appreciate it.
5 Thank you very much.

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1 CITIZEN: My name is NAME, and my
2 address is XXXXXX South XXX West in South Jordan -- or
3 Brook-N-Lance Lane also.

4 And I am in favor of the proposed changes,
5 the most preferred, Alternate 4, I believe it is.
6 That's it.

7 (End of comments.)

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3 STATE OF UTAH

4 COUNTY OF SALT LAKE

5 I, Kerry D. Atkinson, do hereby certify that
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12 employee of attorney or counsel for any of said
13 parties; nor am I financially interested in the
14 action.

15 This, the 5th day of December, 2004.

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20 Kerry D. Atkinson, CVR

21 Certified Court Reporter

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